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| Title:           | METHODS OF TREATING VASCULAR DISEASES<br>CHARACTERIZED BY NITRIC OXIDE INSUFFICIENCY |                   |                  |

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**AMENDMENT AFTER ALLOWANCE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.312**

Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Prior to issuance of the patent, applicant respectfully requests entry on this amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.312 for the above-captioned patent application.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 3 of this paper.